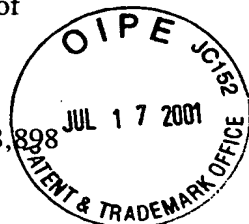


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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The following documents were cited on pages 2-6 and 21 in the specification of the above-identified application:

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WO 99/00177;
WO 97/02886;
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Also enclosed is a copy of the Finnish Office Action issued in connection with the corresponding Finnish Application. The following documents are cited:

U.S. Patent 5,063,192;
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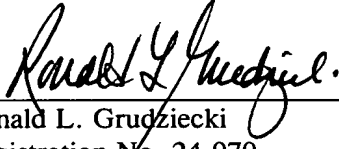
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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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